MAYOR SILENT ON AN OFFER OF AID.

Imperial Company Volunteers to Light the City Hall, but Gets No Answer.

PLANS FOR CITY LIGHT PLANT.

Dr. Runge to Present a Bill to the House of Delegates To Night-Expert's Opinion on the Light Problem.

wwo developments in the lighting situation yesterday may have decided effect on the action of the Municipal Assembly tonight, with the three temporary lighting bills now in the Public Improvement Committee of the House of Delegates.

First, it became known at Mayor Ziegenhein's office yesterday that the Imperial Electric Light, Heat and Power Company had formally offered. Wednesday night, to fluminate the new City Hull, assuming all risk for remuneration; second, Doctor Edward C. Runge, Superintendent of the Insune Asylum, after a short season with the City Counseler, amnounced that he had completed the preparation of an ordinance for municipal fixtures and dynamos in the Pemale Hespital, Poorhouse and Insuns Asylum, coating \$30,150, which bill would be introduced at to-night's session of the

The proposition of the Imperial Electric The proposition Light, Heat and Power Company was pre-sented to Mayor Elegenhein at his bone, No. E21 South Thirteenth street, shortly before 6 p. m., Wednesday, by E. G. Bruck-man of St. Louis and H. H. Harrison of New York, representing, respectively, the management and B and of Directors of the

maingement and Fart of Infection of the company. On admitting these gentlemen into his house, the Mayor at first was at a loss as to their mission.

"We have come to offer relief in the lighting of the new City Hall, now practically in darkness," said Mr. Bruckman. "In all fairness to our company, I wish you to carneally consider an offer set forth in writdarkness, to our company, I wish you to arnestly consider an offer set forth in writing, how at your disposal. Kindly look over ur proposition, and if you are anable to tre us an answer to-uight, do so at your content of the conten

The Imperial's Offer.

ELECTRIC LIGHT, HEAT AND Bruckman, Vice President and General

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nishes power and light for such downtown structures as further Brothers. The Remarks are company, and the property of the support of the supp

son. "While there is a possible salvage of \$2.00, we stand to lose \$1.00. for which we neither ask nor expect any renumeration whatsoever. It is our intention, sanctioned by the Roard of Directors, to be of benefit to St. Louis. All that the Mayor has to do is to give us a chance. If your proposition was a bluff, we would have offered to light all of the public buildings and institutions. That we mean business and are anxious for recognition, is widened by the fact that we promise to do nothing which we cannot carry out—nifed you, at our own risk."

Mr. Harrison left last midnight for New York City.

York City. Doctor Runge's Plan.

In regard to Doctor Runge's proposed or-dinance, varied epinions prevail at the City dinance, varied opinions prevail at the City H. V. By the provisions of the old agreement between the Missouri-Edison Electric Company and the city of St. Louis, eighteen months' notice must be given the company to remove its electrical apparatus from the public buildings and institutions, save at the new City Inii, where the city owns the wiring. This is held by high authorities as an obstacle to the placement of dynamos in the electrospany institutions. Supervisor of City Lighting A. J. O'Reilly helds that Decore Runar's ordinance is impracticable, as it would take examonths to string wire and put in operation a municipal plant.

THE HERALD OF THE DAWN.



THE FIRST SHOT OF THE DAY FIRED BY A NAVAL GUN AT LADYSMITH.

NO GAS FOR THE HOUSE. A. J. O'Reilly Refuses a Meter for the Delegates.

Speaker Edward E. Murrell of the House of Delegates were an anxious look yesterday, for at the last moment he remembered that no lights had been provided for after the well of derimess fails on the City field, and the thought of a system by causite or eight light was anything but pleasant to the Speaker to contemplate. "Just attach that gay meter, and the House will see that you have no responsibility in the matter," remarked Mr. Murted to Supervisor of City Lighting A. J. O'Reilly.
"Not for a minute will I order that done."

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THE PIGEONHOLED BILLS.

purposes. This is most extravagant. The presented to the Judges for approval and PRIZES AWARDED AT

the Citizens' Electric Light and Power Company, held in the office of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company yesterday afternoon, the chief engineer of the company was instructed to prepare complete plans and specifications for a power-house and other atrangements for electric lighting and power, to cover the entire city of St. Louis at the carriest possible moment.

The company new has, through a contract with the Kinloch Telephane tompany, the control of 10 duct miles of conduits in the conduit stricts of the city. It will use the \$1.50 poles of the Kinloch company in the outlying districts of the city.

It was also decided to make a reduction in the cost of power and light of 20 per sippi Valley Trust Company yesterday aft-

ous Strain on Witness Stand. New York, Jan. 4.-While testifying to-

THOMPSON OF ILLINOIS TOOK SEVENTEEN FIRSTS.

Some Decisions in Pigeon Class Yet to Be Made-Winners of Yesterday's Prizes.

ties at the big poultry show were made yesterday. W. H. Thompson of Collinsville, Ill., carried off the honors, with a total of seventeen firsts to his credit.

In the pigeon department several classes Friday morning, when the special prizes, consisting of numerous sliver cups and



Carrier Pigrons.

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ANNUAL DINNER OF THE CITY HOSPITAL ALUMNI.

GOODFELLOWSHIP IN THE MEDICAL SOCIETY.

Toasts Were Followed by Informal Speeches, Songs and Stories -The Members.

The annual dinner of the Medical Society of City Hospital Almani was given at the St. Nicholas Hotel last night. The society assembled at 8 o'cleck and haif an hour later proceeded to the banquet hall. Doctor George Homan, the retiring president, acted as toustmaster and introduced in happy style his successor, Doctor

Charles J. Orr, who delivered an address, outlining the policy of the society and some of the things it might accomplish during the ceming year. Doctor Bransford Lewis responded to the toast, "The Birth and Beginnings of the Society," with an appropriately reminiscent speech. Doctor Joseph Grindon paid the society's respects take place Friday evening, Mr. Vest offic to the St. Louis Medical Society in a toast to "Our Elder Sister in Science." Doctor Ludwig Bremer and Doctor R. B. H. Gradwohl spoke for the society from the

standpoints of senior and junior member, respectively. "The Quest for Scientific Material" was the theme of Doctor Francis L. Reser's toast. Doctor Amand Ravold. the city bacteriologist, gave an address on the possibilities of the society in relation to municipal afface. The formal programme closed with eulogies of the deceased members of the society.

After this the entertainment was of a

William S. Barker, A. H. Meisenbach, M. A. Bliss, E. P. Tiedeman, Joseph Grindon, Ludwig Bremer, A. J. Zimlick, P. C. W. Frintz, O. P. Fall,

ROBBER GRABBED HER BY THE EAR, A Trial Treatment Sent Free to All

Negro Highwayman With a New Method of Doing Business Attacked Miss Frank.

PULLED HER INTO AN ALLEY.

Did Not Relax His Hold Upon Her Ear Until He Had Obtained Her Purse, When He Fled.

Many and novel are the methods employed by the highwaymen who have been operating in St. Louis for the last few months. The police records show that the mem-

she hade her friend good-by and walked north on Seventeenth street. She passed Cass avenue in safety and was walking toward Mulianphy street. At the intersection of the alley between Cass avenue and Mul-lanphy street she was halted by a negro who demanded the surrender of her purse. Miss Frank was too badly frightened to acquiesce in the highwayman's demand. Mistaking her consternation for a refusal, the robber promptly grasped the lobe of Miss Frank's left car and pulled her into the mouth of the alley, which has not been lighted by electric lights since the coniighted by electric lights since the contract between the city and the lighting company expired Monday night.

In a gruff voice the negro demanded money. Miss Frank extended the hand in which she held her purse, but in the darkness the negro could not see it. With a muscular movement of his powerful right arm he jerked Miss Frank's left ear. The blood trickled freely from the laceration and caused a smothered cry of pain from the young woman. In her agony she threw her hands above her head and then the highwayman saw the pocketbook, which contained a small sum of money. He grabbed it and hurried down the alley Miss Frank, thoroughly frightened and almost hystercial, walked back to the mouth of the alley and there she met John McJohn of No. 1612 North Eighteenth street, who had witnessed the hold-up from across the street, and, although only a mere boy, was coming to her assistance.

They decided that it was useless to pursue the fleeing highwayman and hastened to the Nourth District Police Station where

They declided that it was useless to pur-sue the fleeing highwayman and hastened to the Fourth District Police Station, where they made a report of the case. Miss Frank could give no description of the highwayman, but McJohn said that the robber was a begro, apparently about 18 years old, 150 pounds in weight and wore a black-peaked cap and dark clothing. He said that he could identify the highwayman if the fellow were arrested.

REPLY TO MORGAN.

Governor Johnston Attacks Senator's Attitude on Trusts. Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 4.-Governor Johnmon is out in an open letter in answer to

Senator Morgan, concerning charges made in the Senate by Mr. Morgan that John-

in the Senate by Mr. Morgan that Johnston owned or had owned a large amount of stock in an Alabama corporation, one of several that had sold all their property of every kind to a New Jersey company. Governor Johnston says:

"That is true to the extent that I owned the Targe amount" of about \$14,000 of stock in the American Coul Company. I am unsable to see any crime in disposing of that to a New Jersey company.

"I do not now and never owned a share of stock in the Sloss Sheffield Company, nor have I ever had any interest direct, remote or contingent, in any syndicate or trust to which the lands referred to were sold." Governor Johnston then attacks the Sento which the lands referred to were sold."
Governor Johnston then attacks the Senator's attitude on trusts, accusing him of voting to organize the International American Bank with a capital of \$25,09,090, and of which your colleague. Senator Pettus, said: Here is the most damnable trust God ever allowed to live on earth." of voting a tay of one-half per ing against putting a tax of one-half per cent on all goods manufactured by trusts and of "voting millions to the Maritime

Canal Company."

Governor Johnston concludes: Governor Johnston concludes:

"It challenged you to meet me on the stump and discuss our differences before the people of Alabama. You accepted this challenge, but after a few debates you left the State. I respectfully submit that then and there you would have found the proper time and place to have exhibited all your misinformation and spoiled goods."

TO SAVE THE TEMPLE.

Mrs. M. B. Carse Will Submit a Plan to the Trustees.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 4.-Mrs. Matilda B. Carse has a new financial plan for saving the Woman's Temple, if Marshall Field can be persuaded to delay foreclosure of his mortgage and give the trustees another chance. The plan will be presented at a joint meeting of the trustees and a commi-tee representing the bondholders to-mor-

tee representing the bondmoners of the society which built the temple, the only remnant remaining in the building will be Mrs. Carse in a 3323 foot room on the roof. The national officers of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union are moving to Evanston and the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, by arrangements made to-day, will give up its offices.

The temple women expected that Mrs. Carse might advise the bondholders to tu. in over their bonds for stock. In that case the bondholders would control the building and Marchall Flehi would be expected to foreches his mortrage to retain control. ing, and Mar hall Field would be expected to forecless his mortrage to retain control. The mortgage is liable to foreclosure now and the women are waiting to hear from Mr. Field. Miss Sarah Johnson, the financial secretary, will be succeeded by Mrs. Marion H. Dunbam of lowa, and that portlen of temple work will be conducted from Burlington.

Cures Blood Poison

Who Suffer From Any Stage of the Disease.

Cures Cases That Hot Springs and All Other Treatments Failed to Even Help.

There has been discovered by the State Medical Institute, 20 Elektron filing, Ft. Wayne, Ind., the miest remarkable Blood Potson cure ever heard of. It has cured all such indications as macous patches in the mouth, sore threat, copper colored spots, chancres, ubcreations on the body and in hundreds of cases where he hair and eyebrows had fallen out and the whole skin was a mass of bodis, number and and eyebrows had fallen our and the whole skin was a mass of boils, pimples and ulcers this wonderful specific has completely changed the whole bedy into a clean, perfect condition of physical health. Every railroad running into Ft. Wayne brings scores of sufferers seeking this new and marvelous cure and to enable those who cannot travel to realize what a truly marvelous work the institute is accomplishing they will send free to every sufferer a free trial treatment so that everyone an cure themselves in the privacy of their own home. This is the only known cure for Blood Poison. Do not hestiate to write at once and the free trial will be sent sealed in plain package.

The police records show that the members of a tally-ho party Monday night held up and robbed a wiener-wurst peddler of a valuable gold watch and a small sum of money while the peddler was plying his business in the vicinity of Twenty-third street and Case avenue, but unprecedented is the record made by a highwayman last night, who dragged Miss Lulu Frank of No. 1919 Mullamphy street into an alley between Mullamphy street and Case avenue by the jobe of her left ear and relieved her of her purse, containing a few dollars in change and several rines.

The daring hold-up of Miss Frank created considerable excitement at police headquarters and caused Night Chief Pickel to send out all of his available men on the case. According to the story told by Miss Frank the robbery occurred at 8 o'clock in the evening. She left her home late in the afternoon and went downtown on a shopping foor.

About 7 o'clock she started home, carrying her purse in her right hand and several bundles under her left arm. She was accompanied by a friend as far as Seven the started home, carrying her purse in her right hand and several bundles under her left arm. She was accompanied by a friend as far as Seven the started home, carrying her purse in her right hand and several bundles under her left arm. She was accompanied by a friend as far as Seven the started home, carrying her purse in her right hand and several bundles under her left arm. She was accompanied by a friend as far as Seven the started home, carrying her purse in her right hand and several bundles under her left arm. She was accompanied by a friend as far as Seven the started home, carrying her purse in her right hand and several bundles under her left arm. She was accompanied by a friend as far as Seven the seven has the sum of the seven her seven her seven her seven the seven her seven her

MINE FOREMAN JONES IGNORANT OF LAWS.

ALLOWED MEN TO USE UN-LOCKED LAMPS.

They Also Went In and Out of the Mine at Will-Carelessness May Have Caused Disaster.

Uniontown, Pa., Jan. 4.-The second day's proceedings by Coroner Taylor of the Braznell disaster developed even more surprising testimony than regarding the apparently careless manner in which the mine was managed, Mine Foreman Thomas Jones was called. He was kept on the stand until noon, answering questions fired at him by the inspectors and Coroner. The books of the foreman showed the same careless keeping as did those of the fire boss. He falled to make entry of the result of his work during the day, as is required by law. When asked if he removed the danger order, as reported by the fire boss, he at swered no, and this was the case for days. He case not reconcile his report with those of the fire boss. The fire boss reported at times from fourteen inches to three feet of gas. and on these dates the foreman did not enter on his books, as required, what he did with this large accumulation of gas. Some of the entries had been tied with cloth, and the air currents worked through the chambers, after the report of been made, but it is not reported by the foreman whether the mine was clear of this gas. He said that he always went to the books for information as to what the fire boss discovered, but when there was

much gas and danger the fire boss some-times reported to him verbally.
"Did the men have a habit of going into the mine before you entered upon your duties?" was asked by the Coroner. "Yes, sir.
"On Saturday, the day of the explo

I got there at 6 o'clock and found report on books as made by the fire boss Radeliffe. "After I had given the men the lamps, I started to go down the mine, when Super-intendent Royer told me to wait a minute to see whether we would run that day or order the men out. There were no cars and at that time we were not sure of running. I then started toward the mine to go down to order the men out when I heard a report, followed shortly by another. At first I did not know what was the mat-

ter, but soon found out."
"Had you been in the mine?" "Who were the men you intended to order

"The drivers, the cager and the road nen. The diggers were to remain in."
"Did you consider the mine safe on that morning?

"Yes, sir, when safety lamps were used where the gas was reported."
On the day when three feet of gas was reported, he stated, he did not remove the gas, but reported in the book the mine "in

fair condition." Mr. Jones was on the rack all forencon and throughout his whole testimony he showed the effects of the strain. His tesshowed the effects of the strain. His tes-timony was of a nature to establish the indisputable fact that the affairs of the miner, in so far as he and the fire boss had anything to do with it, were in a wretched condition. Miners went in and out of the mine at will when neither of them were present. He admitted that he allowed the use of unlocked safety lamps. He said he did not know it was contrary to law.

to law.

The other testimony of the day was of a THOMAS J. LYNAM DEAD.

He Was Well Known in Demo

cratic Political Circles. Thomas J. Lynam, former member of the House of Delegates and Congressional Com-

mittee of the Third Ward, died at his home at Thirteenth street and Cass avenue yes-terday morning. He had been ill for about terday morning. He had been in for about a year.

He was born in Pennsylvania in 1882, and came to St. Louis when quite young. He has been engaged in the grocery business for several years and leaves a widow and seven children. The funeral will take place to-morrow morning from St. Lawrence O'Toole's Church. Fourteenth and O'Fallon streets. The burial will be in Calvary Cemeters.

He was elected a member of the House of Delegates in 1890 and was re-elected in 1892. During the last ten years he has attended all of the Democratic State Conventions as a delegate.